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DEPARTMENTAL AUDITORIUM

HABS DC-869

(Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium)

Constitution Avenue between Twelfth and Fourteenth streets

Washington

District of Columbia

These photographs were taken as part of a HABS study of Federal Triangle that resulted in the book, *A Quest for Grandeur*, by Sally Kress Tompkins and Jack Boucher of HABS.

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Jack E. Boucher, photographer, 1993

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